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Subj: MINUTES OF THE 28 MAR 02 PERSUPPDET MONTEREY PASS LIAISON REPRESENTATIVE (PLR) MEETING

- 1. The monthly PLR meeting was held on Thursday, 28 Mar 02 at 0930. The commands represented were NPS, NTTCD, FNMOC, NAVPMOSSP Sunnyvale, Branch Dental, NMAU, and NAVAIRESCEN San Jose.
- 2. Topics of discussion were as follows:

## Claims and Vouchers:

- THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN (TSP) PIN NUMBERS: On 7 Feb 02, a problem was identified by the Defense Joint Military Pay System affecting a very small number of active duty members from all branches of service participating in TSP (less than 1%). Incorrect addresses were provided to the National Finance Center for 1,666 service members. These addresses belonged to other members, to protect the 1,666 members PINs, the NFC suspended their PINs so that no one could access their TSP accounts. The NFC also discontinued issuing PIN letters until the problem was resolved. The problem has now been resolved and the NFC has once again begun issuing PIN letters. To ensure the utmost privacy of members accounts and their PINs, the NFC will also suspended the first 10,500 PIN letters sent out and will reissue letters for all 10,500 members. Therefore, members who were not directly affected will also receive new PIN letters from NFC. A member who had previously received a PIN number may now find that it doesn't work. If this is the case, members should be made aware that a new PIN letter is on its way. DFAS sincerely regrets this incident and would like to assure our customers that their privacy and finances are our highest priority.
- LEAVE AND EARNING STATEMENT (LES) FORMAT MODIFICATION: Significant format modifications were made effective with the January 2002 LES. The LES format has changed to include blocks for the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) and the REDUX retirement plan. Two blocks were added for the REDUX retirement plan directly under the EOM pay on the far right of the LES, and eleven blocks for the TSP program at the bottom of the blocks of the LES information. Some blocks (BASE PAY CURR, SPEC P CURR, INC P CURR AND BONUS P CURR) are reserved for future use (2004). If you have any questions pertaining to the new blocks of our LES please contact PSD Disbursing at COMM: (831) 656-1926 or DSN: 878-1926.

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- STATE TAX EXEMPTION: The states of Connecticut, Missouri, New Jersey, New York and Oregon have residency requirements that are unique to that of other states. Members of these states who are assigned to duty outside the state may claim Tax Exemption if they qualify. The member must declare their state exemption, in writing, either by completing the states version of the Form W-4 or a State Income Tax Exemption Test Certificate (available at PSD) before Disbursing can process the exemption. If a member does not declare state exemption for those states listed above, state tax will continue to be withheld.

# **Separations and Transfer Section:**

- TRANSFER PACKAGES: It is very important for us to have all transfer packages needed for military Permanent Change of Station (PCS) transfers as soon as possible. Last minute package submissions can sometimes cause delays in processing transportation request and travel advances. Personnel requiring special screenings (submarine duty, aircrew, overseas, sea duty screening) are required to report to medical within 30 days of receipt of orders to expedite processing of required screenings.
- CAREER STATUS BONUS (CSB) ELECTION: In order to clarify the miscommunication concerning CSB elections. Per NAVADMIN 245/02, CSB messages are sent from the Chief of Naval Operations (Code N1), Washington DC directly to the service members parent command to each eligible member on the date they complete 14 years and 6 months of active duty. Upon receipt of the notification message, the member will be directed to see the Command Career Counselor or the Administrative Officer for assistance in completing the CSB election form (DD form 2839). Information contained in the member's completed DD form 2839 are then inputted by PSD in the Force Management System (FORMAN) for transmission of the data to DFAS for payment. For more information refer to NAVADMIN 245/01 which outlines policy and procedures for CSB elections.
- IMMINENT DANGER PAY (IDP): NAVADMIN 060/02 changes the effective date of designated CENTCOM IDP areas from 31 October 2001 to 19 September 2001. All personnel operating in those designated CENTCOM areas (as outlined in this NAVADMIN) on or after 19 September 2001 are entitled to IDP for the month of September and October if not previously authorized.

### **DEERS**

- Dependents (ages 21 to 23) attending school as full time students are entitled to an I. D. card and benefits. Proof of college attendance from school registrar is required prior to issuance of an I. D. card. If you have any questions please contact PN1 Pitsch at DSN: 878-1932 or COMM: (831) 656-1932.

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3. The next PLR Meeting will be held on Thursday, 25 Apr 02 at 0930 in the PSD Conference room.



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